British Consulate Rome

My dear Tom 18th Nov 19

You didn't say at what time your friends the Disneys would arrive in Rome so that I could not fix the apartment & that is to say that the arrivals being very numerous I may have some difficulty to retain an apartment — So do tell me by return of post as to the time when Mr Disney may arrive & if he will really arrive —

I am now in my new house & am well pleased in all respects, 1st as I am at ½ the rent I can be rent free, then I have 5 noble rooms in one of the finest Roman Palaces right over the fountain of Trevi in the most central place, with such a saloon for

for Music - As yet I have only furnished as much as suits my unfurnished purse & even now I am without the best bed of furniture viz my dear wife who per is detained on the road by severe illness, ten 3 weeks since she wrote I am at a loss without her, for in the difficult things I have to do her Scotch head would greatly help me tho' I begin to have great confidence in myself & have not yet made a mistake - On the contrary I have received the thanks of the Governor of Rome for having talked him & his Son over to my views, which he now says may have prevented the Roman Govt being embroiled with all Europe & indeed I was left with all the heavy

responsible Act of an Ambassadour & telegra
to Lord Russell gave me full power & I i
now said that the Lords had some
fears of a compromise with the French
Emperour & so he put all the responsibility
on me - Fortunately my friends came
up to the mark & I brought all parties
over to my opinion & carried it & even
secured the high esteem of the Governor
of Rome but the Pope I hear is very
angry & do are our converts (convicts I
call them) My Son Walter tells me it
has also been discussed in the News
paper & that I am favourably treated
after this I am equal to any thing
Tis wonderful how many talents
we may have hidden, that I should
have had, a turn for Law, quickness
of apprehension - retentive memory &
now even sharp hearing, is wonderful
for I cannot be surprised I am in the midst

Thank you for the letter. — You do it very
correctly. But all the writers & compos
Mostly do. There's a certain amount of this
"Thank you" — My Mother always
wrote her all under small paragraphs, for I
have had still time

All two long how ~~[illegible]~~ and I
[illegible] of Mrs Lowe, but in any Mayhew
seems extremely to write letters. Mrs
Watts Phillips, [illegible] Mrs Lee
very small pleasure & very little recompense.
Dear dear. It will rain for Mother's sake
I pray now dear Mother. — I must tell about
Mr Palmer, what shall she say how I
receive, but Mrs is a pleasure to a good
deal more than

I am glad Mrs Lowe that you are
not a Pessimist, Life may have its ob
but certainly may then the other is it
is more than it has worth

Your loving Mother Jane

Forgive it not [illegible]